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IN THE  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Paily T. Varghese et al.

Confirmation No.:

Application No.: 09/127571

Examiner: Tran, K.

Filing Date: July 31, 1998

Group Art Unit: 3634

Title: COMPUTER COMPONENT RACK MOUNTING ARRANGEMENT

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified applicaiton.

**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114

( ) Previously submitted:

( ) Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

( ) Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_.

(X) Enclosed:

(X) Amendment/Reply

( ) Affidavit(s)/Declarations(s)

( ) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_.

Miscellaneous

( ) Suspension of action is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.

The fee for this Suspension is (37 CFR 1.17(i)) \$130.00

( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_.

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, AMENDMENT  
AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 28, 2004**

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and in response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 28, 2004, Applicants submit this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the following amendments and remarks.

**The Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

**Authorization To Debit Deposit Account**

By this paper, Applicants have increased the net number of claims pending by nine and increased the net number of independent claims pending by one. Accordingly, Applicants hereby authorize the Commission to charge Deposit Account No.: 08-2025 \$248.00 for the requisite fees. Additionally, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No.: 08-2025 the requisite fee of \$770.00 for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). However, in the event that additional

extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims and for the RCE) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No.: 08-2025.